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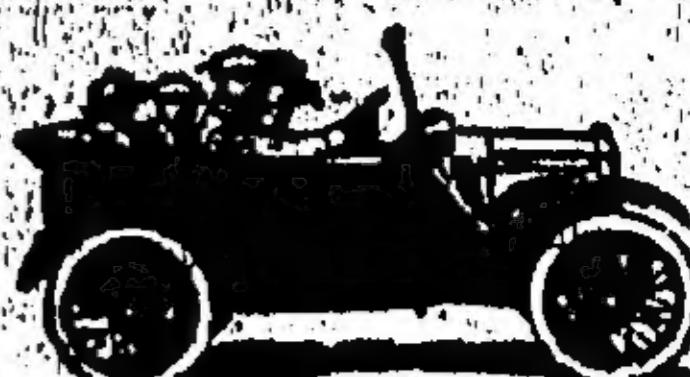
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After a search which lasted several hours, Revenue Officers effected an arms seizure last night, the third of this year's and approximating in volume to the haul by the Water Police in Kowloon Bay last month.

Six rifles, about twenty-seven revolvers and several thousand rounds of ammunition were found on board the river s.s. "Shing On".

About 9 p.m. last night, the search-party from the Imports and Exports Department proceeded to the steamer which was lying off West Point in the stream.

Coal from the bunkers was heaped up on the tween decks impeding progress. Nothing daunted the officers burrowed their way into the ship's bowels. Near the stoke-room, they came upon a compartment in which the coal was piled up against the entrance, but, the interior of which was partly empty. A few tons of coal had to be shifted before the prize was found. The extensiveness of the search can be gathered from the fact that the Revenue Officers did not leave the vessel till well after midnight.

One man was taken into custody.

It is reported, but hitherto not

confirmed, that one of the senior officers of the Imports and Exports Department, who was in charge of the searches, was unfortunately injured in the search, heavy hatch dropping on his hand, almost crushing the top of one finger.

From deductions made it seems

## SAMCHUN FALLS.

## CAPTURED BY PRO-SUN FORCES.

## AEROPLANES FOR FRONT.

CHAN KWING-MING'S FORCES  
RETREATING IGNOINICIOUSLY.

Signal successes have been gained by the "Allied" troops under Dr. Sun Yat-sen's banner. Not only has the danger by river to the Bocca Tigris Forts and by land to Canton, been removed, but the Canton forces are now in occupation of the whole of the Canton-Kowloon Railway (Chinese section) from Canton to Sam-chun, the market town just beyond the British frontier.

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Confirmation of this important capture was forthcoming in a telegraphic message received by the Hongkong office of the Chinese Telegraph Administration, from their Sheklung office.

However, the service over the landlines from Hongkong to Swatow has been interrupted, this indicating fighting in the neighbourhood of Waichow, which is Chan's stronghold on the East River.

As is common with the majority of Kwangtung campaigns, big objectives have been attained with little fighting. At the beginning of this last campaign, Dr. Sun's army at the Eastern front comprised, mainly, his Kwangsi army and some Cantonese detachments.

These have been reinforced by a part of the Yunnanese army.

Chan's men made very little attempt to hold their lines, retreating from Sheklung (forty miles by rail from Canton) as soon as the first shots were fired.

Tung-kuon, the capital of the war-area, was in Dr. Sun's hands on Saturday and the capture of Samchun Market means that the Canton forces are now in the same position as a few months ago before the "Chinese Black Dougias" swooped down on the New Territories border, as is his occasional wont. In spite of the ability ascribed to his men in guerrilla warfare, he has had to retreat into the hills.

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striving for!

that the pro-Sun army will make any determined move up the East River towards Waichow.

Two or three of the scouting

aeroplanes are reported to have

been despatched to the front, but

no intelligence has been received

of their having gone into action.

## OUR CONSTITUTION.

## EARLY REPLY TO REFORM ASSOCIATION.

## REVIVAL OF INTEREST.

Home Authorities in Full Sympathy.

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Surprise has been expressed at

the ease with which the pro-Sun

forces advanced. On the other

hand, the anti-Sun element pro-

mised an enveloping movement

once they have withdrawn their

line to "strategic points" previously decided upon.

From an eyewitness, who has

come in from Sheklung, I learn

that despite the anti-Sun

camp at Sheklung was narrowly

averted on the morning hostilities

began.

An adjutant of infantry regi-

ment was returning to battalion

headquarters from a certain

house when he observed the pro-

Sun scouts in the distance. These

had moved up before sunrise and

got behind the anti-Sun outposts.

The adjutant is stated to have

rushed back to the house, dis-

guised himself as an amah, and

"doubled" back to headquarters,

where he awoke the sleeping staff

to run away in time.

Until the arrival at Sheklung of

the necessary junks and other war

material, it is not expected that

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C. ARIMA, Manager, Hongkong, 27th October, 1924.

## COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

## COMPANY MEETING.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE, CO.

The ordinary annual general meeting of the Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd., was held on Saturday at the Hongkong Hotel. Mr. Henry Humphreys presided and there were also present Mr. J. Scott Harston, the Very Rev. Father Robert, Mr. W. L. Patterson, Mr. J. M. Alves and Mr. C. Gordon Mackie (Directors), Mr. G. Rapp, (Secretary), and Messrs. D. E. Clarke, M. Manuk, C. Bernard Brown and M. A. Razack (Shareholders).

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting,

The Chairman said:—The report and statement of accounts, with the Auditors' Report, having been in your hands for the past nine days, I will, with your permission take them as read. The net profit for the year is \$16,627.91, which your Directors regard as satisfactory, considering there were no property sales during the period under review. I trust you will approve of the Directors' recommendation as shown in the report regarding the distribution of profits, which with \$18,229.32 brought forward from last year amounts to \$320,857.23. You will notice that Typhoon and Floods Insurance Fund is less by \$6,977.29. This represents damage caused to our May Road property in 1923. A similar amount has been written back out of the profit this year, which will bring this Fund up to the total \$60,000 again. I do not think there is anything that calls for further comment from me at the meeting, and I now beg to propose the adoption of the report and accounts. After this has been passed, I shall be glad to answer, to the best of my ability, any questions shareholders may wish to ask.

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Razack, the reports and accounts were unanimously adopted.

It was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mr. Bernard Brown, that Mr. J. Scott Harston, Mr. W. L. Patterson, the Rev. Father Robert, Mr. J. M. Alves and Mr. C. Gordon Mackie be re-elected Directors for the ensuing year.

This was unanimously agreed to.

We have had a good market during the past week and a large amount of business has been put through, some of the favourite Stocks showing a considerable rise.

The Shanghai market has also been firm with a strong demand for Shanghai Docks and New Engineering.

The following are the principal alterations since last week:

Hongkong Banks—Continue strong with buyers at \$1,200 with few if any sellers.

Unions.—Are rather easier and have come to business at \$250 to \$255.

Cantons.—Are quiet with sellers at \$255.

Hotels.—Are steadier at the decline with buyers at \$1,72 for Old and \$16 for the New shares.

Hongkong Lands.—A good many shares have changed hands at declining prices, closing with sellers at \$107 1/2 cash and \$103 1/2 for March.

Humphreys.—Are on offer at \$22 1/2.

Cementis.—After firming up to \$28 1/2 cash, are easier at the close with sellers at \$28 for the Combined shares.

Wharves.—Are very quiet with buyers at \$209 without attracting sellers.

Hongkong Docks.—Are easier and have come to business at \$151 for March.

Shanghai Docks.—Are strong and have risen to a buying rate of Tls. 100 1/2 and more would be paid.

Hongkong Electrics.—Have had a sharp rise and are in strong demand with buyers at \$48 cash and \$49 for March.

Hongkong Trans.—Are steady at \$10 to \$54 1/2.

China Sugars.—Have firmed up to a buying rate of \$55, but few if any shares are obtainable.

China Providents.—Are firm at quotations. The Old shares having come to business at \$17.

China Lights.—Are rather quiet and could probably be obtained at \$20 cash for Combined shares.

Dairy Farms.—Have sellers at \$26 1/2.

Steamboats.—Are firm and have been done at \$39 cash and \$39 1/2 for March.

Star Ferries.—Are in strong demand and there are buyers for the split shares at \$71 1/2 cash and \$70 for March.

Oriental Nav. Co.—Are firm at \$255.

Shipyards.—Are quiet with sellers at \$255.

China Fire Insurance.—Are firm at \$101 b.

Hongkong Fire Insurance.—Are firm at \$101 b.

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## GRAT PICTURE AT CORONET.

As briefly reported in Saturday's "China Mail," the funeral of Mr. Reginald Earshaw took place on Saturday morning at Happy Valley. The service was conducted by the Rev. G. E. Arrowmith, of St. Andrews, Kowloon.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, members of the Hongkong police present paid their last token of respect by themselves filling in the grave of their late comrade, and afterwards it was completely covered by the many floral tributes to a great height.

Among the many beautiful floral tributes placed on the grave were from Mother, brother Claude, Edith (Sister), Abbott School of Aviation, Sergeant's Mess; Central Police Station, Dunn Motor Co., Ex-Active Service Men's Association, Kai Tak Motor Bus Co., Ltd., Lands of the Water Police Station, Shum Shui Po Police Station, Sergeant's Mess, No. 7 Police Station, Kowloon Cricket Club, Victoria, Goal Staff, European Revenue Officers, Staff, British Prison Lau Chi Kok, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. E. Abraham, Mr. and Mrs. Angus, Mr. and Mrs. Barlett, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Bird, Mr. W. G. Bunter, Mr. G. W. C. Burnett, Connie, Mrs. A. Christensen, Mr. H. Cooper, Mr. H. Ching, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Clemo, Mr. E. L. S. Davies, Evie, Mr. J. C. Fletcher, Mr. J. C. Faers, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hollands, Mr. F. G. Herdige, Mr. V. M. Hast, Mr. J. R. Johnston, Mr. M. B. Keenan, Mr. H. Kong, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Lawrence, Mr. C. H. Lyson, Mr. D. Lewis, "Les," Mrs. Macintosh, Mumford and Watkins, Mr. C. M. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Mason, Mr. B. L. de H. Moore, Mr. J. Nettleton, Mr. J. H. O'Brien, Mr. A. A. Paice, Mr. J. L. Parson, Mr. B. Petheram, Mr. and Mrs. D. Peoples, Mr. A. G. Pike and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. and Miss Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. A. Reynolds, Messrs. Rich and Harrison, Mr. H. A. Rodgers, Bill Routley, Frank Brett and Bill Simpson, Miss J. Simpson, Mr. D. O. de Silva, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Stainfield, Mr. C. Stark, Messrs. Swanson and J. Allan, Mr. and Mrs. Tolan, Mr. Tso Tsan, Mr. J. S. and Mr. J. Willes, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Witchell, Mr. R. C. Wilson, Mr. L. H. Whant, Miss Gladys L. Woolley, Mr. Wong, Kwong-tin, and Mr. H. Yee Young.

SIR JOHN FOWLER.

DEPARTURE FROM THE COLONY.

"Nero," the William Fox super-special, which opened at the Coronet to-night, more than lives up to its reputation of being the king-plate among motion pictures.

"Nero" accomplishes with surprising ease the difficult feat of out-distancing the whole list of famous features. Not alone is the production extraordinarily impressive by reason of the magnitude and variety of its marvellously realistic sets, the enormous size and skilled direction of its mobs, and the coquettish and magnificence of its thousand of costumes, but also through the strength and deep human appeal of its story.

Written by Charles Sarver and Virginia Tracy, and directed by J. Gordon Edwards, "Nero" discloses a tale of Ancient Rome, set against a background of historic fact that pulsates with the life and colour of the time when the greatest tyrant the world has ever known sat upon the throne of the Caesars.

The struggle between Christianity and Paganism is the theme of "Nero," but, like all worth-while screen fiction, it is the pure love of a man for a maid that lights up the sombre scenes of crime, and evil.

"Passion" and awakens a responsive glow in the hearts of the spectators.

BABY PEGGY AGAIN.

AT THE CORONET TO-DAY.

At the Coronet at 7.30 p.m., to-day only "The Family Secret," featuring Baby Peggy, will be screened.

THE DEPARTURE.

On the wharf, as the ship left punctually at noon, there was a scene of great animation, packed as it was with hosts of friends of departing passengers Commodore Sterling and, nearly all who had been present at the official leave-taking, were present, with the exception of H. E. the Governor and Major General Luard. Lying off the wharf was an Army launch on the upper deck of which the Band of the East Surrey Regiment was in place to render musical honours, accompanying the departing vessel well down the harbour.

It is just a simple story of a thwarted romance and how it all ended happily, after all. But, popping in and out of it is that black-eyed bit of merriment known as Baby Peggy, which is to say that there are some decidedly good moments scattered through the picture. A remarkable finish gives force to her now familiar gestures and grimaces, but there is always a sufficient variety of unforeseen incidents to make her acting appear spontaneous and sparkling. In "Captain January," Peggy enjoys a more sympathetic setting and direction, but "The Family Secret" gives her ample chance to prove again her claim to first place among the starlets of the screen. Some mirth-provoking sequences are shown when Peggy runs away and becomes involved in the ups and downs of an Italian fruit vendor. Her delicate and deliberate consumption of bananas is delightful to watch.

There is such a genuine ring to little Miss Montgomery's work in the studios that it seems possible to see her an arresting figure on the screen at almost any stage of her career. She should easily carry on into her teens and twenties, and further, making the most of each let-out hem, and refusing to be snuffed out by the stars to come. There will be a Terry and a Duse of the screen some day and maybe Peggy will be the one to break the tradition that only a sort of stock-still youth has any appeal for the public.

PEKING, February 8th.—A Mandate has been issued to-day to convert the region, hitherto under the jurisdiction of the Taoyin of the Szechuan-Tibetan border, into a special administrative area to be known as Hiskiang. General Liu Hsiang has been appointed Tuan of Border Defence at Hiskiang, with command of all troops in that district; while General Liu Cheng-hsun has been appointed Commissioner of Waste Lands at Hiskiang. It is reported the well-known Shanghaiite, William S. T. Nien, will be appointed chief of the copper note bureau at Shanghai.

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It tells the story of a country boy, who, whilst serving a prison term unjustly, becomes acquainted with two crooks. Returning home, he finds the mortgage about to be foreclosed by the village skinflint. With the aid of his two crook pals a way is found to beat out the miser while the influence, of the aged mother leads the two crooks into love and a better life.

The Manila Vaudeville Company are giving their last performances at this theatre and their programme is the pick of their best numbers.

TURN TO THE RIGHT.

NEW PICTURE AT THE QUEEN'S.

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### MUSICAL QUARTETTE.

#### FINE PERFORMANCE AT THE STAR.

#### SPLENDID APPRECIATION.

The Quartette of artistes received a rousing welcome at the Star Theatre last night. Item after item was received with rapt attention, and there were persistent demands for more, which were readily given.

The rich tenor of Mr. Herbert Cave had the advantage to "E. Luceyan Le Stelle" (La Tosca) and "Rimpianto." Other offerings by this artiste which were highly appreciated were a series of English songs, with encores not a few.

In his violin solo, Melsa held the audience spell-bound with Schubert's "Ave Maria," "Zapateado" (Sarasate), Kreisler's famous Caprice Veinnois and Bazzini's Rondo.

In the final movement for violin and piano forte, (Cesar Franck's Sonata), Melsa and Miss Dorothy Dawson brought the house down. As with the other items, the audience called for more.

Miss Dorothy Dawson Campbell earned well deserved applause for her interpretation of Chopin's Scherzo in B Flat Minor. Amongst other numbers she gave a Spanish Dance, and had to pause the audience over and over again with items outside the programme.

The art of Mr. Percival Garratt as an accompanist must not be left unmentioned. Although no individual items were rendered by him, he completed the quartette which can justly claim to be world renowned.

#### MUST GO TO RACES!

#### NOVEL REQUEST TO THE MAGISTRATE.

Before Mr. N. L. Smith, at the Central Magistracy this morning, Eduardo Augusto da Silva was charged with being drunk and incapable at Queen's Road East.

Sub-Inspector Spear, who prosecuted, said that the man was a regular nuisance. He had been given several chances when brought to the station in a drunken state, and only three days ago he had been sent away with a warning.

"I hope, Sir, your Lordship will excuse me," said the accused, "I am taking a book to the races; I hope, Sir, your Lordship will not keep me out of the races; every year I take my book round."

"Oh, you are not a bookmaker?" interposed His Worship.

Accused: "No, I hope, Sir, your Lordship will excuse me."

Magistrate: "What else do you do?"

Accused: "I also go to the gymkhana."

Magistrate: "You are fined, five dollars."

Berlin, February 7.—Herr Bauer has consented to resign from the Reichstag in response to a request from the Socialists in connection with the Barnat allegations, which he has not yet denied. Herr Stresemann, Foreign Minister, is also being assailed, the "Vorwärts" accusing him of complicity in certain banking operations. The newspapers are devoting columns to the discussion of the topic.—Reuter.

Rangoon, February 7.—In connection with the Mandalay riots in August, when two policemen and a priest were killed, and several, including a police superintendent, were wounded, eleven men, including two Buddhist monks, one of whom is a prominent leader of the Nationalist Boycott Council, were today sentenced to rigorous imprisonment, ranking from one year to nine years. Ottman headed the procession, and his refusal to alter the route occasioned the riots.—Reuter.

The toast was duly honoured, three cheers being called for the bride and bridegroom at the close.

The bride's dress, which was specially made for the occasion, was of silk crepe embroidered with gold and silver tinsels.

The bride's gifts to the bridegroom were a diamond ring and a diamond tie pin. The bridegroom's gift to the bride was a pearl necklace.

The bride and bridegroom were the recipients of a large number

### LOCAL WEDDING.

#### DESAI-RUTTONJEE.

An interesting Parsee wedding was celebrated on Saturday afternoon the contracting parties being Ruston, E. Desai and Miss Tehmi Ruttonjee.

The bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ruttonjee, are well known in the Colony. Mr. Ruttonjee being one of the leading merchants of Queen's Road Central. The bridegroom is the manager of Messrs. N. Mody & Co., and is also prominent in business circles generally.

The ceremony was unique in a way as it is said to be the first occurrence of the kind in China, being performed under Zoroastrian rites.

The popularity of the young couple was evidenced by the large gathering which assembled at the spacious bungalow known as "Buxey Lodge," at Conduit Road, where the wedding took place, followed by the reception.

The ceremony was performed by two priests, Mr. R. A. Dastoor and Mr. Anklesaria. Shortly after five o'clock, the bridegroom took his place on a raised dais in the centre of the hall, which accommodated a large number of the guests. The bride arrived later, leaning on the arm of her father; her approach to the hall being announced by Mendelssohn's Wedding March by Professor Gonzalez's string band.

The preliminary part of the ceremony consisted of the joining together of the hands of the bride and bridegroom, and the encircling of the hands in seven twists of cord, the latter being drawn round the marriage knot of cloth.

At the close of this ritual the throwing of some frankincense on a vase was the signal for the couple to throw some rice they held in their left hand. The bride was the first to do so. (The one to throw the rice first indicates he or she will be foremost in affection and respect).

The religious part of the ceremony followed, comprising preliminary blessings, questions to the witnesses and to the marrying couple, and joint address by the priests.

At the conclusion of the marriage ceremony, the guests clustered round the bride and bridegroom to offer them their congratulations.

At the reception, Mr. M. Manuk proposed the health of the bride and bridegroom, in a neat speech, in which he explained the significance of the marriage ceremony.

Speaking of the bride, Mr. Manuk said that he had known her since childhood, and she was possessed of virtue and charm. He trusted that the bridegroom would bestow on her the affection which she had always received from her parents.

One word of advice he would offer to the bride—that she should try to follow in the footsteps of her illustrious mother.

The toast was drunk with acclamation.

Mr. M. P. Talati, in a happy speech, then expressed the thanks of the gathering for the kind invitation of the hosts, adding a pleasing tribute to the sterling qualities possessed by the bridegroom and his

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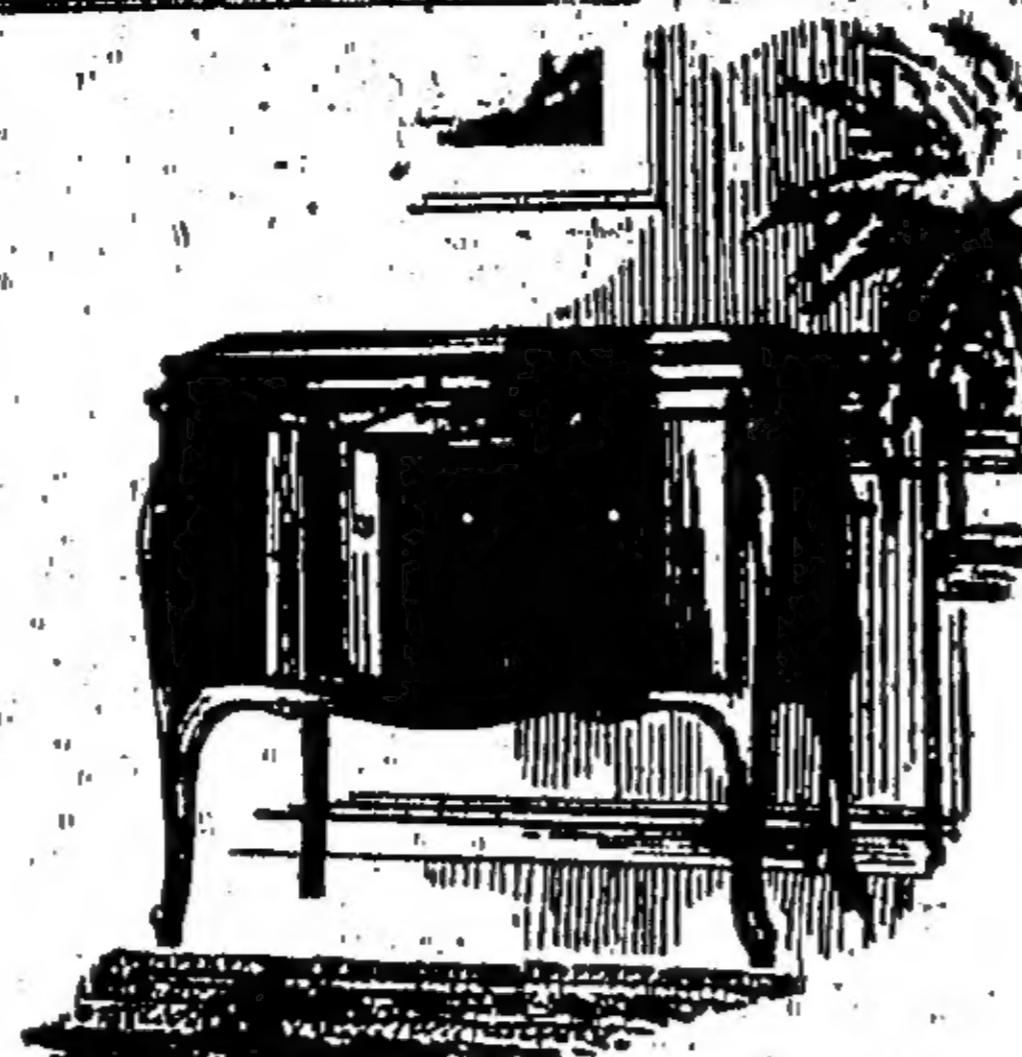
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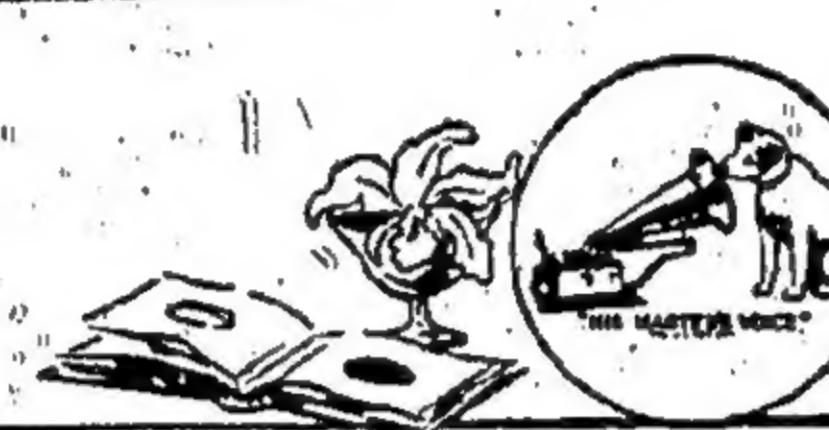
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Faced with the heavy extra taxation necessary to vindicate his country's honour, the British taxpayer, however, naturally felt that sauce for the goose was sauce for the gander and began to demand payment of the loans the other Allies owe to Britain.

Amounting to £1,100,000,000, these more than offset Britain's American loan. Moreover, the income from the annual charges—some £70,000,000—gives a £15,000,000 surplus every year over our American interest and sinking fund expenses. Clearly, with Europe in its then parlous condition, Britain could never have hoped to secure full payment of these debts. Hitherto we have not collected one penny and it is doubtful if we shall ever receive payment from some of the debtor nations, though certain British experts claimed, when the American agreement was signed, that it is absurd to suggest France, for one, could pay nothing, while the Bank of France remained in possession of some £225,000,000 of gold—50 per cent. more than our own Bank of England and Currency Notes reserves. Whatever her ability to pay, France has repeatedly made it clear that she does not intend to hurry unduly, M. Poincaré, when he was in power, passionately asserting in the Chamber of Deputies that it would be "an intolerable infamy" for inter-Allied debts to be placed

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## DEATH.

SILBERMAN.—On February 3, 1925, at Dr. Fearn's Sanatorium, Shanghai, Anne Silberman, wife of Isidor Silberman, aged 52.

Hongkong, Monday, February 9, 1925.

## MONEY TALKS.

The wisdom of Britain's decision to accept America's debt funding offer has soon become apparent. Not only has our prestige increased enormously but our credit has also gained renewed strength. When the agreement was reached two years ago, leading bankers hailed it as the most constructive step since the war and prominent business men predicted that sterling would soon return to normal. That prediction is now on the point of being fulfilled. Moreover the hope Washington official circles expressed that Britain's action would break the vicious circle of world debts is also materialising. Manifestly these outcomes are very gratifying, but they will have been achieved only with very heavy taxation, extra burden still further

on the same footing as the German debt.

Now, just as Britain is ready to pay £1,000,000,000 to America for honour's sake, so is she also prepared to waive much of her £1,100,000,000 rights with her Allies as she deems the object likewise worth the sacrifice. More than any other nation except Germany, Britain needs the final return to world economic security. So urgent is this need that we are ready to remit a large part of our claims against the nations whose debts are a big factor in the present uncertain situation provided only that we receive enough to cover our obligations to the United States and that our Allies' annual payments to us in this respect are put on an assured basis. Hence the Note that, as reported in to-day's cables, Britain is now sent to France. The improved economic conditions which will follow if France accepts our offer in the spirit in which it is made will be ample reward for our leniency. The huge sums we shall forego can be safely written off to the account of general prosperity, not only for the Empire, but in these days of economic inter-dependence, for the whole world.

## Rent Restriction.

So far as the tenants are concerned, it may be reasonably expected that the discussion on the Rents Ordinance will be kept among the foremost of current local topics. It would be passing strange, of course, if those most affected passed over in comparative silence a question of so vital importance to themselves. Yet, the history of public affairs is full of examples of public apathy and indifference—until it has been too late to take the desired action. If the public does nothing to help itself, it cannot reasonably complain if certain things are done by the powers that be that would not have been done had the majority of the public views been known beforehand to the Government. In the case of the Rents Ordinance it is the self-protective duty of all tenants affected by its operations to become articulate, to express publicly what is desired, and to influence the votes of the unofficial members of the Legislative Council accordingly. The Government has given the lead to the public in ample time. It has declared that an open discussion will take place at an early date. Should the vote, following such discussion, be adverse to the wishes of the majority of tenants, the latter will have to bow to the decision as gracefully as possible and blame the weak points in their own preliminary campaign. The Tenants' Protective Association, as the outcome of last night's meeting, has decided to proceed with a petition to be forwarded to His Excellency the Governor through the Secretary for Chinese Affairs. That petition, needless to say, ought to be fully representative of the whole community to carry any weight either with the Governor or the Legislative Council. There must be no half and half measures even in the preparation of a petition.

## COMPRADORE'S CLAIM.

HENRI KREBS & CO. SUED  
IN SUPREME COURT.

## JUDGMENT FOR PLAINTIFF.

An action against a Hongkong firm for the recovery of \$20,000 by the compradore was heard before Sir Henry Cowper Gollan in the Supreme Court this morning.

Henri Krebs and Co. and Henry Krebs, a partner therin, the defendants, were not represented. The facts were outlined by Mr. Eldon Potter, K. C., for the plaintiff (Kwok Ping), who also gave evidence.

Under a compradore agreement he had paid \$25,000 into the firm he said; \$5,000 of this had subsequently been refunded and when he left the employ of the firm he gave notice that he considered as his property any balance after claims had been settled.

The firm had replied that they had substantial claims against the plaintiff which they anticipated would be in the region of \$50,000 but neither then nor late did they give particulars and no claim had been made against the plaintiff.

The plaintiff's claim was for a declaration that he was entitled to all monies which on June 27 were held by the Bank of Canton to secure credits opened by the Bank for the defendant firm.

His Lordship allowed the claim.

## WHEN THIEVES FALL OUT.

## TWO CHINESE ARRESTED.

## DRAMATIC STORY OF HOLD-UP.

Following up the clues furnished in a report of an armed robbery perpetrated at the Man Hing firm of No. 40, Lower Lascar Row, two Chinese were arrested by the police.

In his report the manager of this firm stated that on his return to the shop, after making a deposit of \$900 at the Bank, he found the door closed. On knocking, it was opened by a stranger, and he was suddenly confronted with a pistol, whilst another man drew up alongside with a dagger. The complainant was then bound and gagged, and the robbers received a sum of money and the safe keys. Opening the safe, a further sum of \$25 was extracted.

Whilst the men were engaged in their operations, the brothers of the complainant entered the shop,

and he was also bound and gagged.

One of the robbers is said to have struck up an acquaintanceship with the cook of the place, and gained the information that the safe held a considerable sum of money, but they planned the attack too late.

When arrested at Tolhouse, one of the alleged robbers, gave his accomplice away, and a search resulted in the latter also being found.

ROBBERS SCARED.

TOY PISTOL LEFT BEHIND.

A report of an attempted armed robbery at No. 33, Lyndhurst Terrace at 8.30 p.m. yesterday was received by the police to-day, but the robbers apparently took flight and bolted.

In her report, an unarrested woman states that she was seated on a chair when two men entered the room, one of them carrying what appeared to be a pistol. She was pushed off the chair, which fell to the ground. The men waited a little after the noise made by the falling chair, but, scenting danger, they made a sudden bolt.

After the men had left, a toy pistol was found on the ground.

INDIAN VICTIMISED.

Another armed robbery is reported by Abdul Hamid Muhrim, living at No. 6, Ashley Road, Kowloon, who states that six men, some with revolvers, entered his house and removed property valued at \$55. The complainant and the other inmates were gagged whilst the robbers carried out a search.

A Japanese, occupying a room in the same house, was out at the time, and the haul from his room comprised jewellery valued at \$137 and a telescope.

HIGH RENTS.

TENANTS TO PREPARE BIG PETITION.

"ORDINANCE MUST REMAIN."

Interest in the Rents Ordinance is still acute but the majority of people are quietly waiting the pronouncement of the Legislati-

ve Council.

Last night the Tenants' Protective Association held an extraordinary meeting at which it was resolved that a public petition be drawn up and handed in to the Government.

Mr. Wong Kun-ying, chairman, gave the Association's main points in the petition as:—(1) stipulation to be given to show the great difference between rentals of "old" and rebuilt houses, with localities and numbers of houses. Comparisons were to be made between houses of the same streets; (2) if the Ordinance was repealed, rents would be considerably increased and many of the poorer classes would be forced to join the ranks of the homeless; (3) the abrogation of the Ordinance would have far-reaching effects on the business community. If rents were increased many shopkeepers would be forced out of business because any change of premises, especially removal to distant places, would entail loss of business and perhaps cause entire suspension; (4) labourers would also be seriously affected if the Ordinance was not renewed. It was well known that workers, such as the coal coolies and earth carriers, preferred to live in certain localities, as near as possible to the places of their employment. Not only inconvenience, but hardships, would arise if they had to live elsewhere; (5) proof of the necessity of continuing the restrictions was provided by the overcrowded conditions in certain parts of the Colony. During the last few years the population of Hongkong had increased to such an extent that all new houses built during that period would have been occupied, if the rents had not been so high.

ILLICIT OPIUM.

NINE MONTHS' JAIL FOR CHINESE.

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The accused had two previous convictions against him for breaches of the Opium Ordinance.

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The following cases of notifiable diseases were reported to the Medical Department yesterday:—

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Enteritis: Fever: two cases (Chinese).

Cerebro-spiral Fever: two cases (Chinese).

## S. O. S.

## PRESIDENT BOAT'S CALL.

## AN UNLIKELY REPORT.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, February 8.

A message from Chio, Greece, states that an "S. O. S." was received from the American steamer, "President Harrison," which is bound from Shanghai for New York.

No advice had been received by the Hongkong office of the Dollar Steamship Line (operators of the steamer) when a "China Mail" reporter called this morning.

Mr. E. L. Matteson, general agent for the company, expressed the opinion that the report was not true.

On January 5, the "President Harrison" arrived at Hongkong, from Shanghai, having previously left New York and passed through the Panama Canal. She sailed from Hongkong on January 6, arrived at Manila January 8, Singapore January 14, Penang January 17, Colombo January 21, Suez February 2, Port Said February 3, Alexandria February 4 and was due to reach Naples yesterday.

Should the report be correct, the "President Harrison" must have encountered danger prior to reaching Naples.

In the ordinary course of events, the "round-the-world" service would have been completed by a call at Marseilles and out into the Atlantic back to New York.

There are no Hongkong passengers on board the ship at present, the only ones who embarked here booking for Manila and Singapore.

## WISH WYNNE.

## CELEBRATED ARTISTS AT THE STAR TO-MORROW.

All roads will lead to the Star Theatre, Kowloon, on Tuesday night when Miss Wish Wynne and her clever company will open a short season in the course of a tour of the Far East.

That eminent essayist, E. V. Lucas, in his "Persons of Quality" in "Loiterer's Harvest," says, inter alia:

"Many a fine artiste has had to forget self and impersonate another before acquiring powers, and Wish Wynne is among them. Directly she assumes the guise of a down-trodden London girl the character is as clear and firm as an etching. These are her special forte: little London girls with a knowledge of life and a capacity for enjoyment, whose destiny it is to be misunderstood and put upon. It is a common type, and Miss Wynne makes it extraordinarily real. You remember her half-tones long after the stridencies of the evening are happily lost."

Each of the other members of the supporting company provide entertainment of a very high class order.

## SILK STOCKINGS.

## FOUND IN POSSESSION OF A CHINESE.

An unemployed Chinese was charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with alleged felonious intent and with possession of a pair of stockings in respect of which he could not offer a satisfactory explanation. The accused was seized outside No. 9, Pakhoi Street, at 3 o'clock on Saturday morning, whilst in the act of climbing a drain pipe.

The accused was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

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**"A GREAT STEP."**  
**AN OPIUM CONFERENCE SUCCESS.**  
**HOPES FOR FUTURE.**

**Failures "More Apparent Than Real."**

Although the Geneva Opium Conference has failed to reach agreement upon many important points, it has at least one success to its credit.

**HASHISH A DANGER.**

(Reuter's Service.)

Geneva, February 8.  
At a plenary sitting yesterday afternoon, the Opium Conference passed the reports of the sub-committees; and after explanation by the Indian delegation, reserved for further consideration the question of hemp in connection with the inclusion of hashish in the list of dangerous drugs, also the question of heroin.



Lord Robert Cecil.

**EARLIER CABLES.**

Geneva, February 7.  
The absence of the Chinese delegation at the opening of the plenary session of the second Opium Conference to-day was interpreted as meaning that the delegation had withdrawn from the Conference. However dramatically, the Chinese withdrawal from the Opium Conference caused no surprise. Doctor Sze was apparently embarrassed by Lord Robert Cecil's appeal to China yesterday, which is considered as one reason for China's withdrawal, inasmuch as it would have been difficult for Dr. Sze to respond thereto. The Conference in the morning noted the American memorandum and a letter of the President, replying thereto, which paid a tribute to the active co-operation of the American delegation.

Outspoken criticism of the American attitude was, however, made by M. Loudon (Netherlands), who remarked that the Conference pre-supposed mutual concessions of goodwill, and added that Mr. Porter had not replied to any of the arguments the other side had advanced and further that the concessions to Americans would have harmed the League. M. Loudon declared that Mr. Porter had entirely ignored the Indian reservation and had never explained his own viewpoint. (Applause.)

**AMERICAN WITHDRAWAL REGRETTED.**

M. Toivola (Finland) submitting the report of the committee of sixteen on the American proposals and the British and French statements, said the failure to reach agreement was more apparent than real. The speeches at the morning's sitting of the conference by the British, French and Dutch delegates clearly showed that their Governments were ready to suppress the use of opium and agreed that the League of Nations should fix the date from which the period of fifteen years should run. If producing countries adopted a similar attitude the opium problem could be solved very soon.

On a resolution moved by Lord Robert Cecil, the Conference adopted the principle of the protocol of the second convention with some modification of Article I. with regard to the control of production and distribution of raw opium in order to satisfy the scruples of Yugoslavia, Turkey and Persia.

Lord Robert Cecil remarked that this was a great step of advance.

Mr. Sugimura declared that Japan would support all measures to improve the Hague convention.

**CHINA EXPLAINS.**

Later, in a letter notifying the withdrawal of China, Dr. Sze stated that the present conditions in



Soo Ke Alford Sze.

China unfortunately made it impossible for the Chinese Government to enforce effectively its policy of prohibiting the production of opium for other than medicinal and scientific purposes, but these conditions were only temporary.

The Government of China gave its assurance that it would not depart from this policy, and would exert all its power to enforce this policy independently of the action of the other Powers, and hoped the latter would make every effort to prevent the illegal traffic in opium and narcotic drugs, and would progressively suppress the legalised use of prepared opium.

**FATAL FIRE.****THIRTEEN PEOPLE KILLED.**

(Reuter's Service.)

PARIS, February 9.  
Thirteen people were killed and fifteen seriously injured through the collapse of walls during a fire in disused barracks at Beziers. The dead are mostly soldiers and firemen.

**SHOTS AT SEA.**

**BRITISH STEAMER SEIZED.**  
**BIG LIQUOR CARGO.**  
(Reuter's Service.)

NEW YORK, February 8.  
Coastguardsmen have brought into harbour the British steamer "Homestead" laden with 12,000 cases of liquor, also the 28 members of the crew who were captured.

It is understood the vessel was seized within "one hour's steaming of the shore."

It is reported that the coastguard ship fired several rounds from three pounders, wounding some of the crew of the "Homestead."

**WHEAT PANIC.****SEQUEL TO YEAST KING'S DEATH.**

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, February 7.

The skyrocketing prices of the wheat market, which during the last few weeks seriously alarmed Europeans, householders, broke severely yesterday, closing twenty points lower than last week's high mark. The sudden break is attributed to the action of the executors of the estate of the yeast king, the late Mr. Julius Fleischmann, who reported that they had dumped all his tremendous wheat holdings back on the market. Many smaller speculators have been wiped out and others have lost heavily. Mr. Fleischmann dropped dead whilst playing polo on February 2.

**FRENCH GOVERNMENT CONTROL.**

Paris, February 7.

Following a debate on the high price of bread, the Chamber passed a Bill which enforces the producers of bread and cereals to declare the amount of corn they hold in stock. The Bill lays down that only manufacturers and traders will be subject to State control; provides for the imposition of fines for false declaration or refusal of declaration; establishes a tribunal to direct the sale of cereals; authorises the Government to provision the country by purchasing home grown cereals at a fixed price and also purchase from the Colonies or abroad and to arrange distribution; and lastly, authorises the establishment of a credit fund of one hundred million francs for providing a corn reserve.

The Bill facilitating the bread supply was introduced and adopted by 332 votes to 223.

Paris, February 7.

The Chamber passed a resolution by 329 votes to 225 expressing confidence in the Government and urging it to take measures to check the rise in the price of bread, requesting it to ask Parliament to pass a Bill providing for direct State purchase of home grown corn, the ultimate creation of corn reserves and the establishment of a corn office. M. Herriot intimated that the Government would immediately introduce a Bill dealing with the matter.

**INEVITABLE.**

London, February 8.

The "Sunday Times" expresses the opinion that the withdrawal of the American delegates from the Opium Conference was always a possibility since the impracticable character of their proposals became known.

The newspaper considers that at the bottom of the American plan is the formidable increase in the use of drugs, especially opium, in the United States, since the adoption of prohibition.

The article also adds that the failure of the American delegates to allow for the difficulties of reconciling the divergent interests of the various countries on the opium question meant a temporary failure of the Conference, but not of the movement to check opium-smoking. The movement would still continue and the British Government, in the future, as in the past, would do its utmost to assist it.

While regretting the withdrawal of the Americans, "The Observer" says it cannot regret that other nations declined to enact prohibition, which could not have been enforced, but which would have merely stimulated illegal cultivation in Turkey, Persia and China.

After further speeches expressing regret at the withdrawal of the American delegates, the sitting was adjourned.

**STOP PRESS.****PART OF JEWELLERY HAUL.**

Charged with receiving a quantity of jewellery valued at \$200, being part of an armed robbery haul from No. 7, Lee Yuen Street, on August 29 last year, an unemployed Chinese was today remanded at the Kowloon Magistracy until to-morrow.

Approximately 1,250 new stamps have been issued by various countries during 1924.

These included new values for the Protected State of Brunei, showing a view of "the Venice of the East."

**BRITAIN'S OFFER.****EASY DEBT TERMS FOR ALLIES.****NEW NOTE TO FRANCE.****Covering Our Obligations to America.**

Exceptionally easy terms are being offered by Britain to her Allies for the payment of their war debts to the Empire.

**TEXT OF THE NOTE.**

(Reuter's Service.)

London, February 8.

The British note to France with regard to debts, states that the Government adheres to the principle of the Balfour note, but parts of Lord Curzon's note of August 11, 1923, referring to Mr. Bonar Law's proposals of January, 1923, clearly are no longer applicable to the existing fact of the situation, as they were written before the framing of the Dawes plan and on the assumptions that the total German liability would be fixed at a figure less than that adopted in the Dawes plan, and that bonds of the kind contemplated in Mr. Bonar Law's plan would be issued.

These assumptions are no longer tenable. The principle of the Balfour note is that Britain should receive from Europe payments equivalent to those she is in obligation to make to the United States. The Government cannot accept a position in which this principle can only be achieved upon the basis of a full, normal yield of the Dawes annuities or by taking at their face value debts which cannot at present be treated as good assets.

The Government therefore holds the opinion that it might be found convenient for the French payments to be divided into (1) fixed annual amounts to be paid by France irrespective of the actual receipts from the Dawes annuities in a particular year; and (2) a further annual charge on the French share of the Dawes annuities.

It must, of course, be understood (1) that all counter claims by France against Britain shall be superseded; (2) if and when payments derived by Britain from European war debts and reparations were sufficient to provide a full discharge of British obligations to the United States over the full period of such obligations, including payments already made, any surplus would be used to diminish the burden of Britain's annuities.

The Government hopes if the French Government is prepared to make proposals on the lines here suggested a settlement satisfactory to both countries might be reached.

[An earlier cable from Paris states that the proposed Parliamentary Commission to consider ways and means of paying the French war debts to Britain and America has been dropped in deference to the wishes of M. Herriot, who points out that Parliamentary action might hinder diplomatic conversations thereon, which have already begun.]

**WHAT THEY OWE US.**

Over £2,162 millions are owing to Britain by her Allies and the Dominions.

**WAR LOAN.****Dominions.**

Australia £89,271,000

New Zealand 29,189,000

South Africa 11,884,000

Other Dominions and Colonies 1,146,000

£131,490,000

**Allies.**

Russia £722,546,000

France £623,279,000

Italy 553,300,000

Serb-Croat-Slovene Kingdom 28,481,000

Portugal, Roumania, Greece, and other Allies 73,322,000

£2,000,928,000

Austria £10,794,000

Poland 4,394,000

Roumania 2,196,000

Serb-Croat-Slovene Kingdom 2,252,000

Other States 962,000

£20,598,000

Belgian Reconstruction Loan £ 9,000,000

Armenia 865,000

Total £2,162,881,000

**ARMED ROBBERY.****FIVE DAYS' TALK.****FRENCH SOCIALISTS' CONGRESS.****CRITICISM OF HERIOT.**

(Reuter's Service.)

GRENOBLE, February 8.

The congress of the Socialist Party opened this morning. It is expected to last at least five days. Considerable importance attaches to the big debate which the main issue will be whether to renew the Socialist Parliamentary Party's mandate to support the Government, as the rôle played by the Socialist deputies since M. Heriot's succession to office has been subject to a certain amount of criticism and the Party is not altogether unanimous over the matter.

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## LOCAL SPORT.

## CRICKET.

## RESULTS OF SATURDAY'S GAMES.

Of the four First Division League matches, the R.A. take pride of place by their victory over the East Surreys by four wickets. The Navy prevailed over Kowloon, on the latter's ground, by two wickets. The Hongkong Cricket Club "A" team were better than the "B" team by 57 runs; whilst the contest between the Civil Service and the Indian Recreation Club resulted in a draw—a virtual victory, however, for the former.

In the Second Division the Indian Recreation Club, on their own pitch, beat the Navy by four wickets.

In a friendly match the University Seniors defeated the Chinese Recreation Club, on the latter's ground, by eight runs after an exciting finish. The victory was largely due to Sir Claud Severn, who performed the hat trick.

## LEAGUE MATCHES.

Division I.  
H.K.C.C. "A" v. H.K.C.C. "B."

## Six Double Figures.

The two strings of the Hongkong Cricket Club—"A" and "B"—fought out a First Division match on the Club ground.

The "B" took first lease of the wicket, but were dismissed rather cheaply for 69 runs. Seven wickets fell for 25 runs, but Bowker (20 not out) stayed the dry out with the aid of Armstrong (26). Vallack was responsible for five wickets for 25, and Young took four for 31.

The "A"s" at the outset seemed as if they would fare little better, four wickets being down for 29 runs. Mans and Vallack, however, retrieved the position, scoring 29 and 20, respectively. Crutch added a useful 16 and Griffin 10 not out. The "A" team scored 126, thus winning the match by 57 runs. Bowker was the chief bowler, being responsible for five wickets for 41 runs. Hancock materially helped, taking four wickets for 37.

## Scores:

	O.	M.	R.	W.
G. R. More, b Young	4			
J. R. Mitchell, b Vallack	0			
H. E. Hollands, b.w. Young	0			
D. E. G. Nicholson, b Vallack	3			
R. Hancock, b Vallack	7			
L. D. McNeil, b Vallack	0			
C. I. Bowker, not out	20			
W. W. MacKenzie, b Vallack	0			
H. J. Armstrong, b Young	26			
G. B. Hett, b Young	0			
J. A. H. Plummer, b.w. Griffin	1			
Extras	8			
Total	69			
Runs at fall of wickets	118			
2/8, 3/8, 4/16, 5/16, 6/25, 7/25, 8/64, 9/64, 10/69.				
BOWLING ANALYSIS.				
O. M. R. W.				
Young ..... 11 3 31 2				
Vallack ..... 10 1 25 5				
Griffin ..... 1 0 5 1				
Total ..... 126				
Runs at fall of wickets	118			
2/20, 3/22, 4/29, 5/39, 6/103, 7/103, 8/103, 9/107, 10/125.				
BOWLING ANALYSIS.				
O. M. R. W.				
Bowker ..... 16 3 41 5				
More ..... 8 2 32 1				
Hancock ..... 7.3 2 37 4				
Total ..... 126				
Runs at fall of wickets	118			
2/20, 3/22, 4/29, 5/39, 6/103, 7/103, 8/103, 9/107, 10/125.				
BOWLING ANALYSIS.				
O. M. R. W.				
Bowker ..... 20 2 61 1				
A. el Arculli, b Baker, b Hamilton ..... 14.5 1 64 1				
F. M. el Arculli, b Evans ..... 10 1 26 1				
Mid. Simms, c Ismail, b Minu ..... 4				
Corpl. Shaw, c Ismail, b Minu ..... 4				
A. B. Pearce, c & b Ismail ..... 66				
Engr. Lieut. Bennett, c Rumjahn, b Wahab ..... 21				
Lt. Majendie, c Minu, b Ismail ..... 21				
Rev. Hamilton, c & b Kitchell ..... 21				
Sgt. Fuller, not out ..... 14				
Mid. Smyths, b Ismail ..... 0				
E. A. Taylor, c & b Ismail ..... 10				
Sgt. Neil, c Rumjahn, b Ismail ..... 0				
Extr. ..... 0				
Total ..... 155				
BOWLING ANALYSIS.				
O. M. R. W.				
Sir Dar. Khan, b Evans ..... 5				
A. R. Minu ..... 5 0 22 2				
Y. Wahab ..... 4 0 29 0				
E. A. Moosdeen ..... 6 3 16 0				
S. A. R. Ismail ..... 6 2 34 0				
N. R. Kitchell ..... 8 0 11 0				
M. P. Mudur, c Nasil, b Pearce ..... 29				
N. B. Kitchell, c Shaw, b Pearce ..... 29				
Pearce ..... 47				
S. A. R. Ismail, b Bennett ..... 6				
D. Rumjahn, c Shaw, b Pearce ..... 21				
A. R. Minu, b Bennett ..... 47				
Sir Dar. Khan, c & b Bennett ..... 0				
Y. A. Wahab, not out ..... 23				
Extras ..... 5				
Total (for 6 wkts.) ..... 178				
E. A. Moosdeen, S. C. Cassamhoy, S. A. Bux, and V. Espino did not bat.				

## LOCAL SPORT.

drawn with the score standing at 132 runs for eight wickets, the Navy thus winning by two wickets. Of the home bowlers, Overy was best, accounting for five wickets for 44 runs.

Scores:

	K.C.C.
A. W. Ramsay, b Cantrell	2
J. C. Lyal, b Hargreaves	12
R. C. Witchell, c Nicolson, b Cantrell	0
A. A. Daud, b Cantrell	1
E. R. Howell, b Cantrell	0
G. Lee, b Hargreaves	5
S. Jex, b Hargreaves	3
A. R. F. Raven, b Cantrell	1
F. Goodwin, not out	49
H. Overy, c Lake, b Boyle	26
W. A. J. Taylor, b Boyle	0
Extras ..... 5	
Total ..... 107	

Runs at fall of wickets
 18 |

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BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O. M. R. W.
Cantrell ..... 15 3 41 5	
Hargreaves ..... 12 4 22 3	
Osborne ..... 3 0 18 0	
Suffield ..... 2 0 12 0	
Boyle ..... 2 1 9 2	
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Loyal ..... 7 0 22 0	
Goodwin ..... 14 3 33 1	
Overy ..... 10 0 44 5	
Lee ..... 3 0 13 2	
Witchell ..... 1 0 5 0	
Extras ..... 15	
Total (for 8 wkts.) ..... 132	

## LOCAL SPORT.

## FOOTBALL.

## SATURDAY'S MATCHES.

What must be considered a very disappointing week-end for football took place on Saturday; for no less than three games were scratched owing to the opposing teams not turning out. The games were St. Joseph's "A" v. St. Joseph's "B," China "B" v. Drums in the Second Division, and Tamar failed to put in an appearance against the R.A. in the First Division. It is to be hoped that the powers that be will make an example of the defaulters.

## RESULTS AT A GLANCE.

## League—Division I.

Surreys ... 1 Kowloon ... 0

## League—Division II.

Recreio "A" 4 Club Res. 0  
Surreys 6 Sacred Heart. 0  
China "A" 0 University 0  
Kowloon 3 Recreio "B" 3

In the Surreys—Kowloon game play was of a very scrappy order, and was not one would expect from First Division football. The Soldiers were without Eaton, Wooldridge deputising, whilst Kowloon were without McElvie, Clemo, and Knight; Caville, Randt and Hyde taking their place.

The first half was very even both sides attacking in turn and chances were missed by both forward lines. At half time there was no score.

The second half was noticeable for the weakness of the Kowloon forwards in front of goal; time and again they had good chances to test Douglas but dallied long enough to be robbed by the defence. Butler was responsible for the Surreys' goal scoring from well over twenty yards out with Reed in a position to save but lacking the knock to know how. Toward the latter end of the game Kowloon had some good chances to draw level, but their shots lacked sting. Result: Surreys 1. Kowloon 0.

## SECOND DIVISION.

Playing on the Club ground the Recreio "A" had a very easy victory scoring twice in each half, without taking the game at all seriously. Gosuno played well for the winners whilst Lyon and Johnson did well for the Club although they lacked support from their other players.

## China "A" v. University.

This game was marred by two opposing players coming to loggerheads and having to be ordered off the field by the Referee. It is rather a pity that the only time the University have turned out at full strength for several weeks they lose a player by such uncalled-for methods. Neither side put any heart into the game, and the consequence was there was no score when the final whistle went.

## Surreys v. Sacred Heart.

Although they were without Wooldridge, who was playing in the First Team the Soldiers proved much too strong for the School boys scoring six times. Three in each half. Rodgers scored two. Robinson, Pascott and Cornwell one each, whilst Adal added to the total by putting through his own goal.

## Kowloon v. Recreio "B."

What was expected to be a very good fought-out game turned out to be the case, when Kowloon met Recreio "B" on the former's ground on Saturday afternoon. Both sides were out to annex the points and the result was undecided right up to the end. The final score of three goals each was a fitting end to the match as both sides were evenly matched.

The game commenced with the Recreio eleven forcing the pace and before Kowloon had settled down they were through. From a nice forward movement Periera scored with a nice shot that quite beat Stewart. Kowloon forced a corner. Bishop put in a lovely centre but Millard headed behind. Kowloon still continued to press and it was not long before they scored. Bishop passed to Fitz-Gerald who netted with a lovely shot that gave Fernandes no chance. This put both sides on their mettle, with Kowloon endeavouring to obtain the lead. Hast put in a nice shot but Fernandes cleared. Recreio then got going and making a nice rush Riberio scored, thus giving them the lead again. Millard obtained the ball and looked dangerous, but hesitated the Recreio back-giving a corner. Hast put in a nice centre and Millard scored with a nice shot just before half-time.

Half-time, 2 all.

The second half saw much better football. In the first there

was far to much fouling on both sides, but the Referee soon stopped it in the second half by cautioning one of the players concerned. Kowloon started the game still endeavouring to get the lead. Bishop put in a nice centre to Millard which looked like a certain goal, but the Recreio backs managed to clear. Kowloon, however, had the ball back again immediately and Fernandes had hard work to get it away. Recreio then got started; Riberio went down but hit the side of the net. Kowloon forced a corner and continued to press, with Recreio tiring.

Fitz-Gerald had a nice opening but missed. Millard then looked like scoring, but Recreio gave a corner. Hast put in a nice corner shot and from the scramble near the goal mouth which ensued, Trambitzky saw his opportunity and scored.

Recreio started once more and forced a corner. Fitz-Gerald gave a corner again from the kick. Remedios, on the second try, put in a fine shot and Recreio were unlucky in not scoring. Kowloon managing to clear. Kowloon then got going once more and again forced the pace. Recreio obtained no advantage from a corner kick, but determined to draw level and Spary saved the situation. Periera put in a nice shot but Stewart cleared. Kowloon then forced a corner. Bishop put in a lovely centre but Fernandes managed to get the ball away. With only five minutes to go to time, Riberio obtained the ball and made a solo effort; beating both backs; he went right through and scored, drawing the score level just before time.

Team:—  
Kowloon:—C. Stewart; W. H. Parratt and W. H. Brown; A. Spary, A. W. Brown, (Captain) and G. H. White; V. Hast Trambitzky, C. Millard, A. Fitz-Gerald and A. Bishop.

Recreio "B":—L. Fernandes; L. A. Gomes and S. M. Cruz; A. E. Carvalho, L. A. Carvalho and J. M. Pinna; A. Remedios, C. R. Pereira (Captain), F. W. Riberio, A. F. Silva and C. Barretta.

## RESULTS TO DATE.

## First Division.

Goals.  
P. W. D. F. A. Pts.  
Surreys 12 11 0 1 38 '8 22  
China "A" 13 8 2 3 29 13 18  
Kowloon 12 6 1 5 26 14 13  
Club 12 6 1 5 21 12 13  
Police 13 4 3 6 12 19 11  
R.A. 10 5 0 5 15 23 10  
Tamar 12 4 1 6 12 16 9  
China "B" 13 0 0 13 6 54 0

## Second Division.

Goals.  
P. W. D. F. A. Pts.  
Rec. "A" 17 15 1 1 88 21 31  
Surreys 16 14 1 1 53 10 29  
St. Joseph's "A" 15 10 1 4 30 21  
Drums 16 10 1 5 36 21 21  
Kowloon 17 9 1 7 34 30 19  
China "A" 17 5 7 1 5 30 32 17  
Rec. "B" 17 4 4 9 24 38 12  
Club 16 4 3 9 9 32 11  
Sacred Heart 15 3 3 10 20 44 9  
University 16 3 3 10 14 45 8  
China "B" 16 2 4 10 12 46 7  
St. Joseph's "B" 14 1 5 8 9 44 7

## RUGBY FOOTBALL.

## FOWLER CUP FINAL.

An immense crowd gathered on the ground of the Hongkong Football Club to witness the final in the Fowler Cup competition at Rugby football between the Navy and the Club XI. The Band of H.M.S. "Hawkins" played before the match and during the interval with much acceptance. The match was keenly fought out, but it was obvious that both teams were labouring under keen excitement throughout, and the play was far below standard yet perhaps no worse than most Cup finals when all the players are unstrung and too anxious to emerge victorious, with the result that many golden opportunities of scoring go abegging.

The teams turned out as follows:

## Royal Navy XV.

Telegraphist Mortimer, H.M.S. "Ambrose"; Lieut.-Comdr. Bower, H.M.S. "Hawkins"; S. P. O. Foster, H.M.S. "Ambrose"; Lieut.-Comdr. Lyle, H.M.S. "Hawkins"; Lieut. Montgomery, H.M.S. "Hollyhock"; A. B. Dowden, H.M.S. "Hawkins"; Captain Mercer, H.M.S. "Despatch"; Lieutenant Gould, H.M.S. "Iroquois"; Paymaster-Lieutenant Hussey, H.M.S. "Hawkins"; E. R. A. Woods, H.M.S. "Hawkins"; Sub-Lieutenant Gibson, H.M.S. "Hawkins"; Lieut. Sherwood, H.M.S. "Titania"; Lieut. Billings, H.M.S. "Hawkins"; and Supply, C. P. O. Viner, H.M.S. "Tamar".

## Club XV.

Gawler, Skinner, Stewart, Forayth, and Summerfelt; Clerk,

and Morrison; Ralston, Beveridge, Fooken, Mackintosh, Russell, Jones, Hendry and Lee.

Referee: Capt. S. H. Feary, D.S.O.

The Navy commenced to press from the outset, and looked as if they would carry all before them, the Club defence being hard put to it to ward off their attacks. The onslaught was too vigorous to be unproductive, and it was no surprise when a try was scored, but unfortunately it was not converted. As it turned out, however, this was the only scoring of the whole match, and perhaps the Navy were a trifle lucky to get their blow in so early in the game. The Club responded with counter-attack, but a free for the Navy eased the latter's position. A series of beautifully judged passes, pretty to watch, on the part of the Navy, raised the enthusiasm of the crowd, but it came to naught, as did another piece of fine work on the same lines, a free to the Club resulting in the transfer of play. The Club took up the attack and got down to nearly three-quarter field, only to see the ball sent back by the Navy defence, which was very safe throughout. It was noticeable that the Navy was the stronger of the two teams in the scrums, but, rank selfishness on the part of one of their players in the Club's territory undoubtedly lost them some points. Half time arrived with the scores standing: Navy 1 try (3 points). Club ... nil.

As in the first half the Navy were the first to assert themselves on the resumption of the game after a very short interval. Their kicking, however, was erratic, and not once but several times was the ball sent over the line instead of out over to the centre or toward the Club's goal. The Club experienced some very anxious moments, following a break through by the enemy near the touch lines, and it was only the bugbear of selfishness that averted a score. Moreover, the Club's defence was putting up quite a good fight, and did all that was humanly possible to prevent the score being increased. On the other hand, the Club forwards turned the tables on the Navy by breaking through once or twice, and excitement ran high as a score from the Club seemed imminent. However, it was not to be, in spite of the demonstrations of the crowd in their favour. Toward the end the Club were having slightly the better of the exchanges, in spite of the weight of their opponents, but their scoring sheet remained a blank up to the call of time, which left the Navy the winners by the narrow margin of three.

## Final scores:

Navy 1 try (3 points). Club ... nil.

The result perhaps justly reflects the difference between the two teams, although, as stated above, the Navy had more opportunities for scoring, of which they did not take the fullest advantage. The Club played pluckily throughout and are to be complimented on keeping the score down so low under all the circumstances. They lost, it is true, but they were by no means disgraced.

## YACHTING.

## RACE ROUND ISLAND.

At the second attempt, the race round Hongkong Island was accomplished yesterday, although not in ideal conditions. Eight boats started and got well away together and tacked against an east wind up to Lyemum. La Cigale was first through the pass, followed by Coquette, Azuma and U. and I. in that order. The wind changed to south-east and fell away a little for the reach down to Cape D'Aguilar and after Cape Collinson a heavy swell was met. U. and I. made up time on this stretch and the first boats were round the south east corner of the Island in the following order. La Cigale, U. and I., Coquette, Azuma and Feathers.

The run along the south side promised well but after Aberdeen the wind failed and it was a struggle to reach Green Island. La Cigale found the conditions the whole way round very much to her liking and she took her second first this season, being followed in by Azuma, U. and I., Coquette, Azuma and Feathers.

The detailed results are as follows:

H.C.P. on Courses Finishing Time Pts. to Date  
La Cigale (1) scr. 4 11 2 19 '64  
U. and I. (2) 36 m. 4 35 3 17 69  
Coquette (3) 52 m. 4 43 45 16 67  
Azuma ... 10m. 4 54 37 15 40  
Feathers ... 48m. 5 10 52 14 41  
Norsemann ... 5m. 5 13 20 13 61  
Irene ... 52m. 5 5 0 12 50  
Oenone ... 52m. 6 26 43 11 49

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## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Sanitary Board meets tomorrow. An item on the agenda is the consideration of an application for permission, to erect 21 water closets and 11 urinals in the Y.M.C.A. building at Kowloon.

The sessions of the American Court for China are to be resumed shortly, stated Judge M. D. Purdy on his return to Shanghai from Canton. He expects to give a decision in the case of Lieut. Murray v. Lieut. Murray, and yet another shortly, while further evidence is to be heard in Shanghai in the instance of Long v. the Asia Banking Corporation. Mr. Peyton Griffin accompanied Judge Purdy on his return.

The ship's company of H.M.S. "Hawkins" held a fancy dress carnival dance in the Seamen's Institute on Saturday evening. The "Hawkins" Dance Orchestra provided the music.

The F.M.S. Government has added a sum of \$4,000 to the vote Agri-Horticultural Show and Trade Exhibition, being a grant toward the Exhibition to be held in July at Kuala Lumpur.

On February 23, two land sales are to take place at the P.W.D. offices. The first will be New Kowloon Island Lot 991 (situate at Shamshui Po), the area of which is 1,725 square feet and the upset price \$5,175; while the second is New Kowloon Island Lot 971 (situate at Cheung Sha Wan), comprising 24,750 square feet, the upset price being \$18,500.

An agreement between the Malay States and the Siamese Governments for facilitating the working of railway traffic is published in the F.M.S. Government Gazette.

A bill to be introduced into the Legislative Council consolidates and amends the law relating to the restriction of the export of rubber. The main object of the bill is to introduce into the Province Wellesley, the Dindings and Malacca the ledger account system for the export of rubber, which is in force in the F.M.S. and has been found to operate successfully there.

According to reliable reports from Chinese banking sources now available after the New Year settlement, it is found that the native banks in Hankow, by reason of the bankruptcies of business firms and other outcomes of the continuous civil wars, have borne losses during the year amounting almost \$3,000,000. In consequence it is foreseen that many native banks will either have to be reorganized or cease business in the present year.

At the instance of Mr. Taylor, head of the Preventive Service, Capt. Mackenzie, master of the "Hong Hwa" and Mr. Lim Kian Beng, agent of the same vessel, were prosecuted and were each fined \$500 and costs by Mr. David at Singapore on the 30th ult., on charges of the "Hong Hwa" being used for the importation of chandu valued at \$68,500. The chandu was discovered on board by Mr. Capel in one of the holds of the vessel.

Trouble with certain members of the Indian section of the Hong Kong Police Force culminated this morning in the sending back to their native country of six constables and a sergeant.

One case of small-pox and one case of cerebro-spinal fever both Chinese, were reported on Friday.

The Canadian National Railways agent sends some attractive literature describing the scenic wonders of Canada.

Two bears were born the other day at the Botanical Gardens in Manila. At latest reports both mother and twins were doing well. City Gardener Egan, who is official nurse to the young cubs, says they will be brought up on bear brand milk.

With P 450,000 made available by this year's public works funds by the Philippine Council of State the ambitious programme of providing every municipality with an artesian well as part of the island-wide sanitary campaign can now be continued, according to A. D. Williams, Director of Public Works, of the Philippines.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Baroness Fittinghoff passed through in the s.s. "Morea" en route to Colombo.

Mr. F. H. Crapnell has been appointed acting Secretary of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company.

Dr. Flurzler, Chancellor of the Swiss Consulate in Singapore is transferred to Strasbourg as Swiss Consul and leaves Singapore to take up his new appointment in March.

Miss Mary S. Fraser, of the Ebenezer Mission, and formerly of the Language School in Peking, died recently at Miyang, in Honan Province, where the work of the Mission is carried on.

Miss Carmen Papa, daughter of Dr. Ramon Papa, former president of the Manila Municipal Board, was last Tuesday proclaimed Queen of the 1915 Manila Carnival, after the counting of ballots had been completed in the presence of a huge throng at the Carnival grounds.

Miss Mary N. C. Allen arrived in Hongkong from Shanghai on the P. and O. s.s. "Morea," accompanied by Mr. John Sharp, son of Mr. James Sharp, an executive director of the Bradford Divers Association. Mr. Allen is on a business trip to Hongkong and will return to Shanghai about the end of the month.

As the clergy and Catholics of Hankow are still mourning the loss of their beloved Bishop, the Right Rev. Gratian Gennaro, who died a year ago, they must mourn the death of another valuable member, in the Rev. Roger Vavi, Procurator of the Mission, who died on January 25. He was respected throughout the Hankow district.

The following forthcoming weddings are announced.—Mr. David Greenmond Gow, widower, chief clerk of the Kowloon Dock Company to Miss Mary Reid, Enson, 18, the Peat; Mr. John MacKenzie, broker, No. 5, South View Avenue, to Miss Hannah Wong, No. 7, Seymour Terrace.

The Consecration of Dr. Gilman as Suffragan Bishop of Hankow will be held on March 4, at St. Paul's Cathedral. The chief consecrator will be the Right Rev. F. R. Graves, D.D., Bishop of Shanghai, who will be assisted by two other American bishops, the Chinese Bishop of Hangchow, and by English and Canadian bishops.

Mr. H. Lachlan, agent of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., in Formosa, has sailed for Vancouver, en route to Britain.

The newly appointed German Consul to Singapore, together with his consular officers and a number of German merchants, will arrive in Singapore this month.

Among the passengers who left for Home by the P. and O. s.s. "Morea," besides those mentioned in our Saturday's issue were Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Stewart, Mr. V. M. Grayburn, Mr. P. Todd, Mr. W. E. Douglas, Miss S. Barton, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. de Martin, Capt. and Mrs. P. Jewett, and Capt. G. H. Brown.

It is authoritatively stated in Moscow, says a Reuter cable, that M. Unslicht, former Vice-President of the Cheka, and a member of the Revolutionary War Council, succeeds Mr. Frunze as Vice-Commissar of War. Under the Tsars, M. Unslicht was many times arrested and deported. He was President of the Petrograd revolutionary committee during the October revolution.

A Reuter cable from Melbourne reports that J. W. H. T. Douglas, the well-known cricketer, touring with the M. C. C. team in Australia, experienced a narrow escape from death in a motorizing accident on Saturday night.

The motor car, in which Douglas was returning at midnight from a banquet given in honour of the M. C. C. team, collided with another vehicle. A man, named Baker, a leading Melbourne sportsman, who was driving the car, was killed outright. The only injury sustained by Douglas was a bruised elbow, which is not serious.

The funeral took place on January 26 at Lokwai Cemetery of Mr. C. J. Gioulis, who for 27 years was a member of the French police, Shanghai, and subsequently became a park keeper at Koukazi Park and Verdun Garden. A detachment of Annanite policemen followed the coffin to the graveside. With the death of Mr. Gioulis, Shanghai loses one of its familiar figures, for he had lived there since 1880. Five years after this date he joined the French police. On resigning from the force in 1911, he became park keeper at Koukazi, which position he occupied until his decease. He leaves a widow and six children.

The first general meeting of the H.K. University Law Society, when Mr. G. W. Keeton's address on "Legal Opportunities in China" will be delivered, has been postponed to Friday, February 13.

Newton W. Gilbert, former vice-governor of the Philippines, told the Foreign Policy Association in New York on January 31, that he did not favour Philippine independence at the present time because of the economic problems involved.

Leo Koretz, sentenced on December 4, to serve from one to ten years in the state penitentiary after being convicted in a \$2,000 Panama oil swindle, has since died in the prison hospital at Statesville, Illinois, from diabetes.

A Reuter cable from London states that the Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Ameri in a speech at Liverpool, referring to the Singapore Base, said, "At Singapore, we stand on the lane that carries all the shipping of the Far East. Clearly it is a direct influence on the peaceful security of the Empire that we should be in a position to guard that shipping. If we do so, our action is not aimed at any other Power, least of all at an old and faithful ally, towards which, today, our goodwill and friendship are as strong as they ever were."

A report has been made in Peiping of the loss of 2,300 guillers alleged to have been sent to Peiping by a Chinese in Delhi. It appears that the money which was forwarded to a certain firm in Peiping was paid over as directed by the sender and a receipt taken. When, however, no advice of the money having been received was sent to Meidan, enquiries were made by the sender until it was found that the money had been paid and a receipt given. It was subsequently discovered that the person who received the money was not the person stated in the receipt and that the document was not genuine. Enquiries are being instituted by the police.

Sir Edward Pearce returned to Shanghai by the "Empress of Russia."

The wedding of Mr. Sidney Moss, popular local barrister, and Mrs. May Morton, took place at Shanghai on January 31, in St. Joseph's Church on Rue Montauban. The Rev. Fr. McDonald, S. J., performed the ceremony. Mrs. Morton was attended by Mrs. Roland Haskell and Doctor W. Findley was best man. The ushers were Messrs. Cornell S. Franklin and Frank Chamberlain.

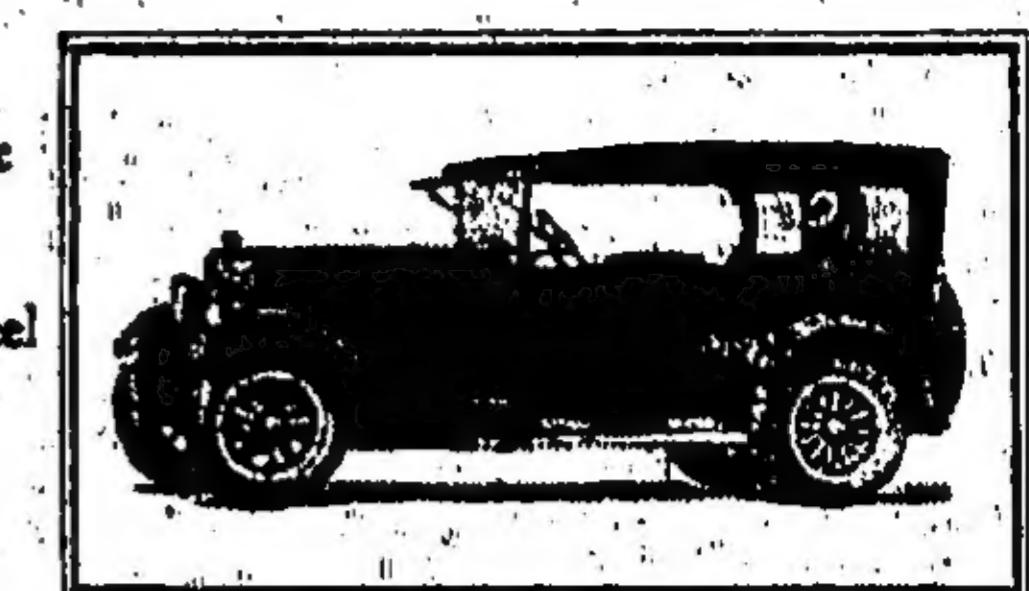
The retirement from business is announced of Mr. H. Percy Smith, of the firm of Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, owing to increasing ill health. An official notification of the dissolution of the partnership and the new arrangement appears among to-day's advertisements. Mr. Fleming's interest in the Hongkong Firm ceases, and likewise Mr. Seth's interest in the Manila firm. Mr. J. Hennessy Seth carries on the "practice" in Hongkong on his own account, in the firm name and style of Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, incorporated accountants. The retirement of Mr. W. L. Lensk from the firm of Messrs. Leigh and Orange, architects and civil engineers, is also officially notified.

Judge Charles S. Lobingier, former judge of the U.S. Court for China, has been recently appointed to form a permanent association of members of the American bar who are interested in the practice of comparative and foreign law in America. He has also been elected a charter member of the Council of the American Law Institute which is financed by the Carnegie Institute and is devoted to the purpose of effecting a restatement of American law with a view to ultimate codification. Judge Lobingier is at the present time engaged in completing subjects relating to extra-territoriality and international law, which he had previously been engaged upon for the American Law Book Co., publishers of legal encyclopedias in the United States. Since Judge Lobingier's arrival in America last year he has attended many conferences, conventions, and personally superintended the sale of some timberland which he owned in Southern Missouri, says the "China Weekly Review."

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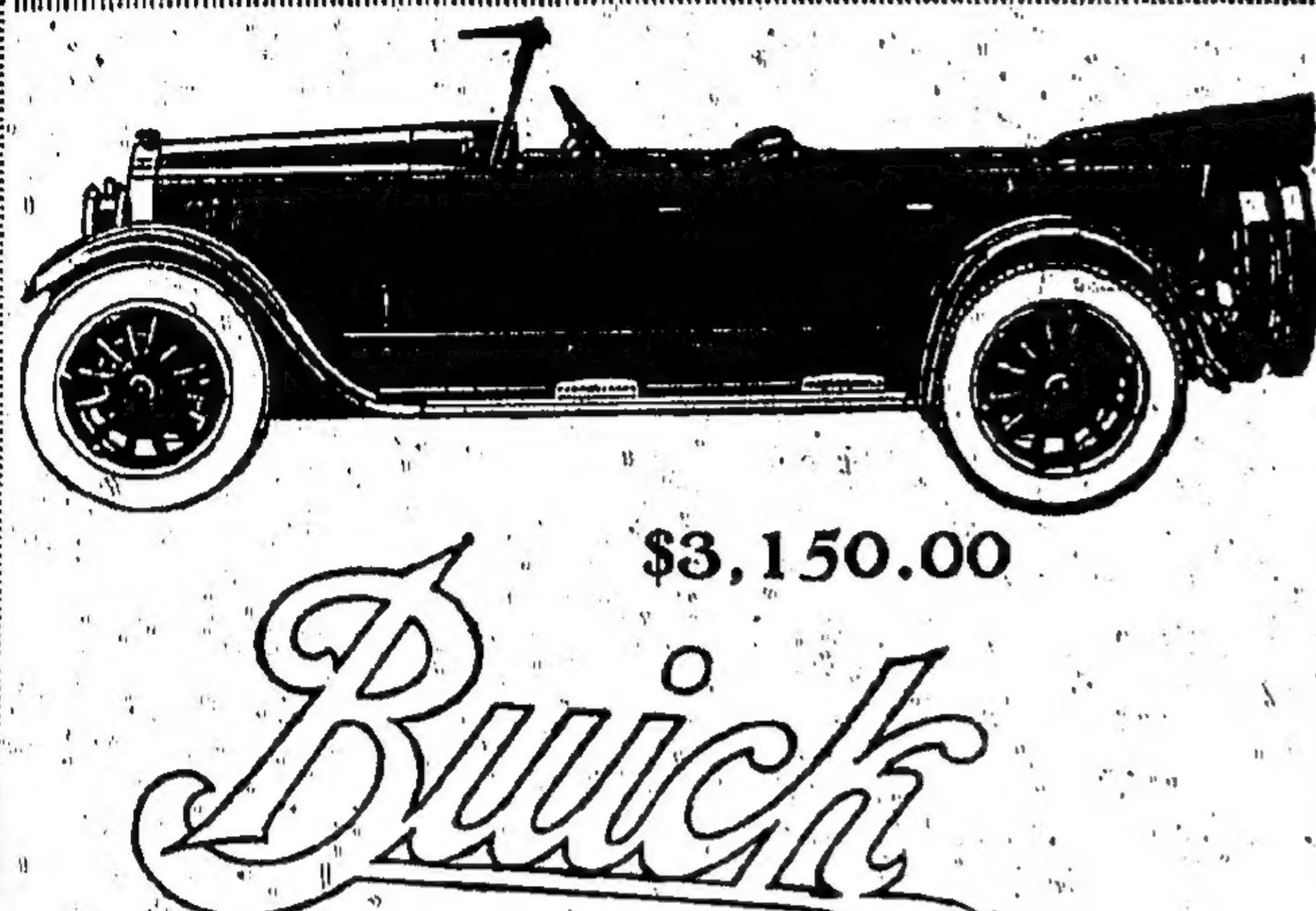
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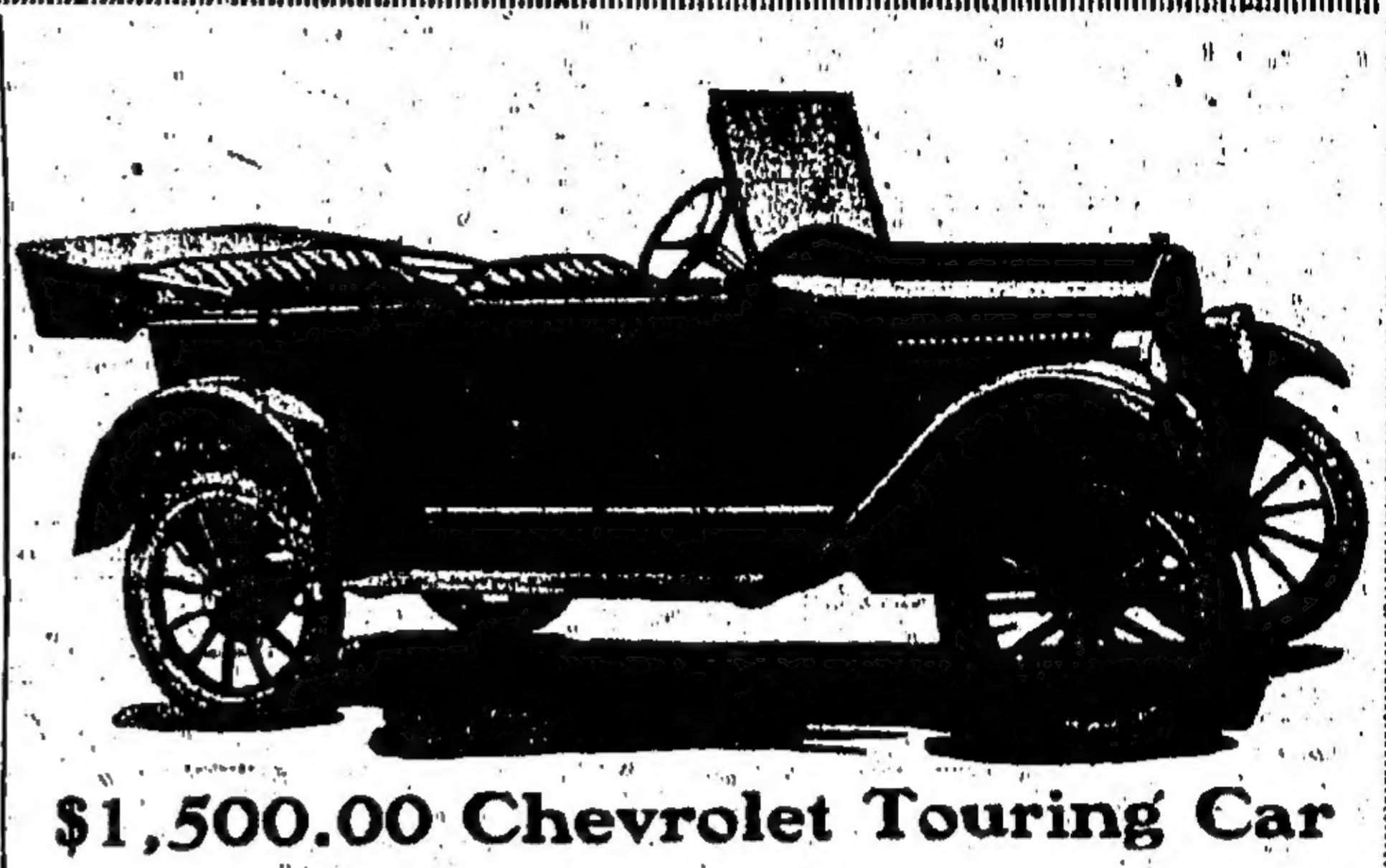


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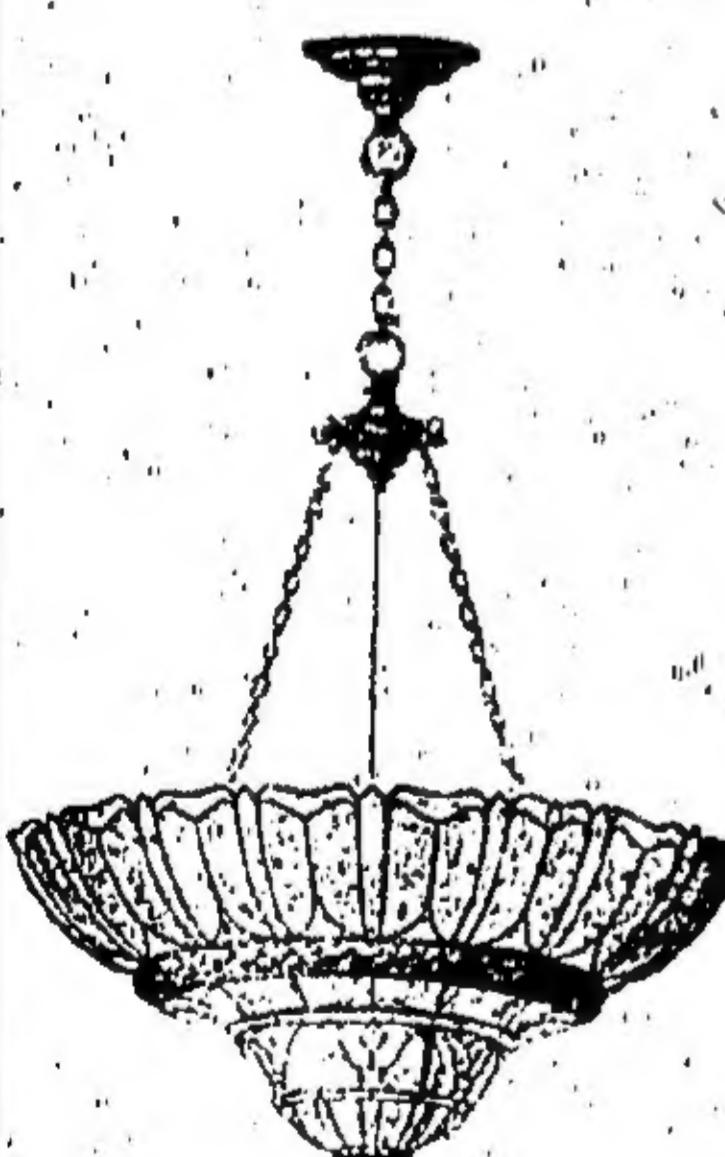
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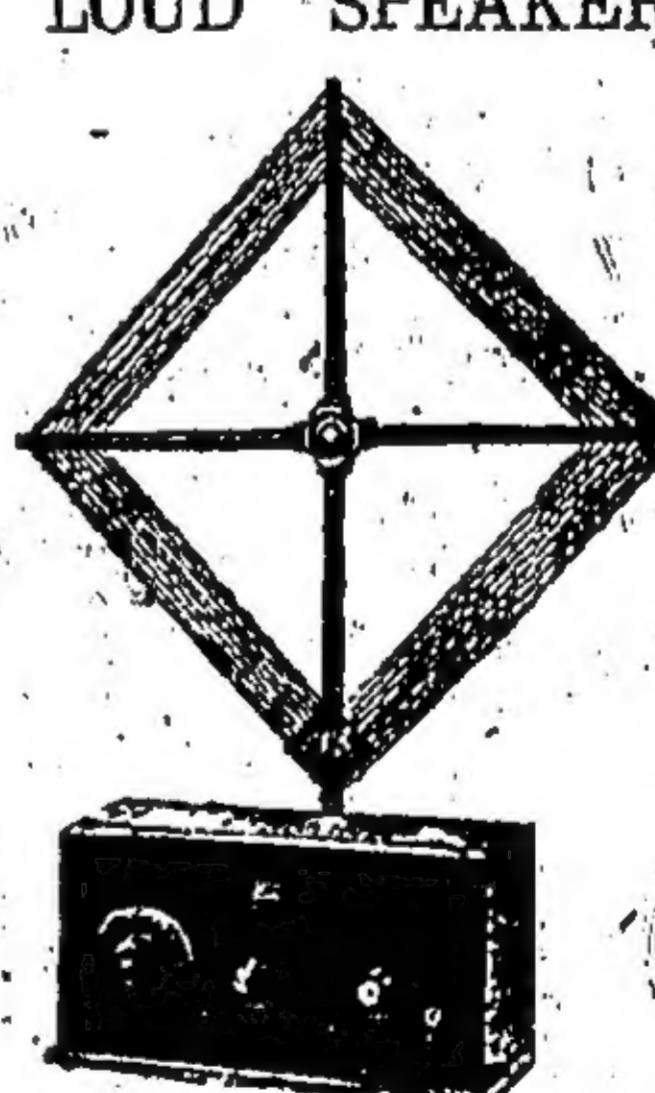
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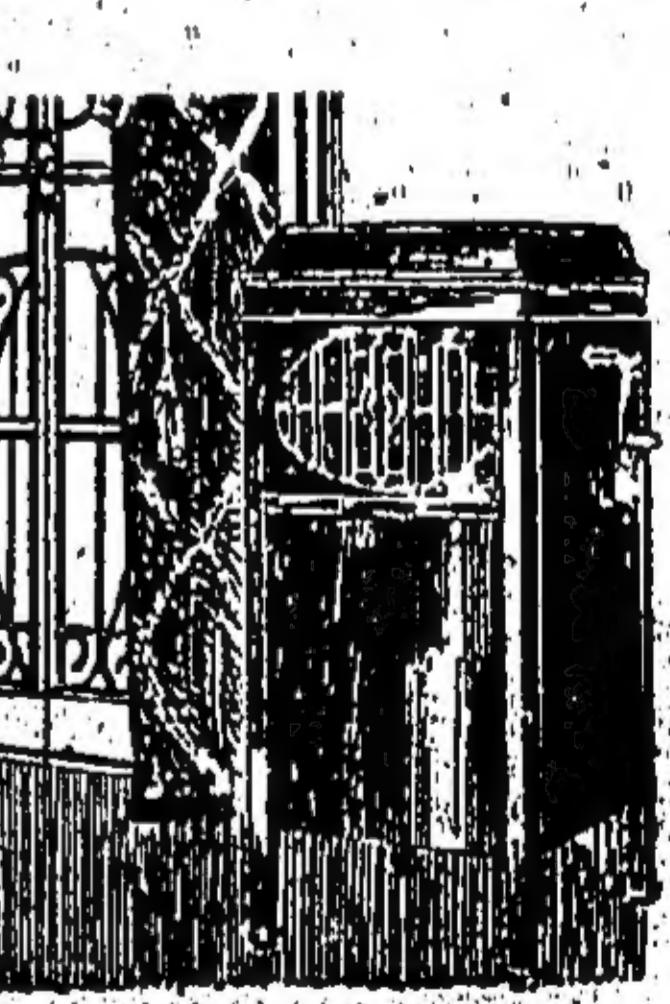
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## Killed His Mother.



RICHARD SMITH, YOUNG.

Richard Smith, 17-year-old youth, has confessed that he killed his mother, Mrs. Mary Smith, fifty-seven, who was found dead in bed with two bullet wounds in her body, after a New Year's Eve family party at her home. Although he steadfastly declined to say why he shot his sick mother, when the other members of the family made merry on the floor below, relatives say it was because she refused his demand for \$10.

## AN AEROPLANE CURE.



Joseph Kling, deaf for nineteen years after an attack of scarlet fever, tried a novel means of restoring his hearing. He persuaded an army pilot to take him aloft in an aeroplane and dive suddenly. The test was made, but no change in Kling's condition was noted.

## Death Threats.



MRS. GEORGIA BULLOCK.

Numerous anonymous threats of death have been received by Mrs. Georgia Bullock, first woman police judge ever to be appointed in Los Angeles.

## FIGURES IN THE NEWS SPOTLIGHT.



Gentle Governor.



Governor-elect George Dorn is said to have been the first Gentle ever elected Governor of Utah. All the other Chief Executives of the State are said to have been Mormons or Jews.

Negotiations for the funding of the \$4,000,000,000 French war debt to the United States have been begun between the Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Andrew W. Mellon and M. Etienne Clementel, French Minister of Finance. A note sent to Mellon suggests a ten-year moratorium and states what the French Government believes France will be able to do in the nature of payments. Payments after the moratorium, it is understood, would cover a period of eighty years, with interest at one and one-half per cent. "Peggy" Marsh, ex-actress, has married again, according to word from London, the bridegroom being Keld Fenwick, captain of the Royal Horse Guards and lord of the Manor of Witham, in Lincolnshire. Unless the United States receives a more adequate air force, an enemy fleet with aircraft could have little trouble walking into New York, Major-General Mason Patrick, Chief of the Army Air Service, told the House Appropriations Committee in Washington. The army, Patrick said, had but 1,121 airplanes, many of them not fit for service. An epidemic of influenza or grippe, sweeping Belgium with many fatalities, has struck Queen Elizabeth, heroic consort of King Albert. Her condition was reported as "fairly serious." The King himself has been slightly affected and the Premier, M. Thonis is reported recovering from an attack of the malady.

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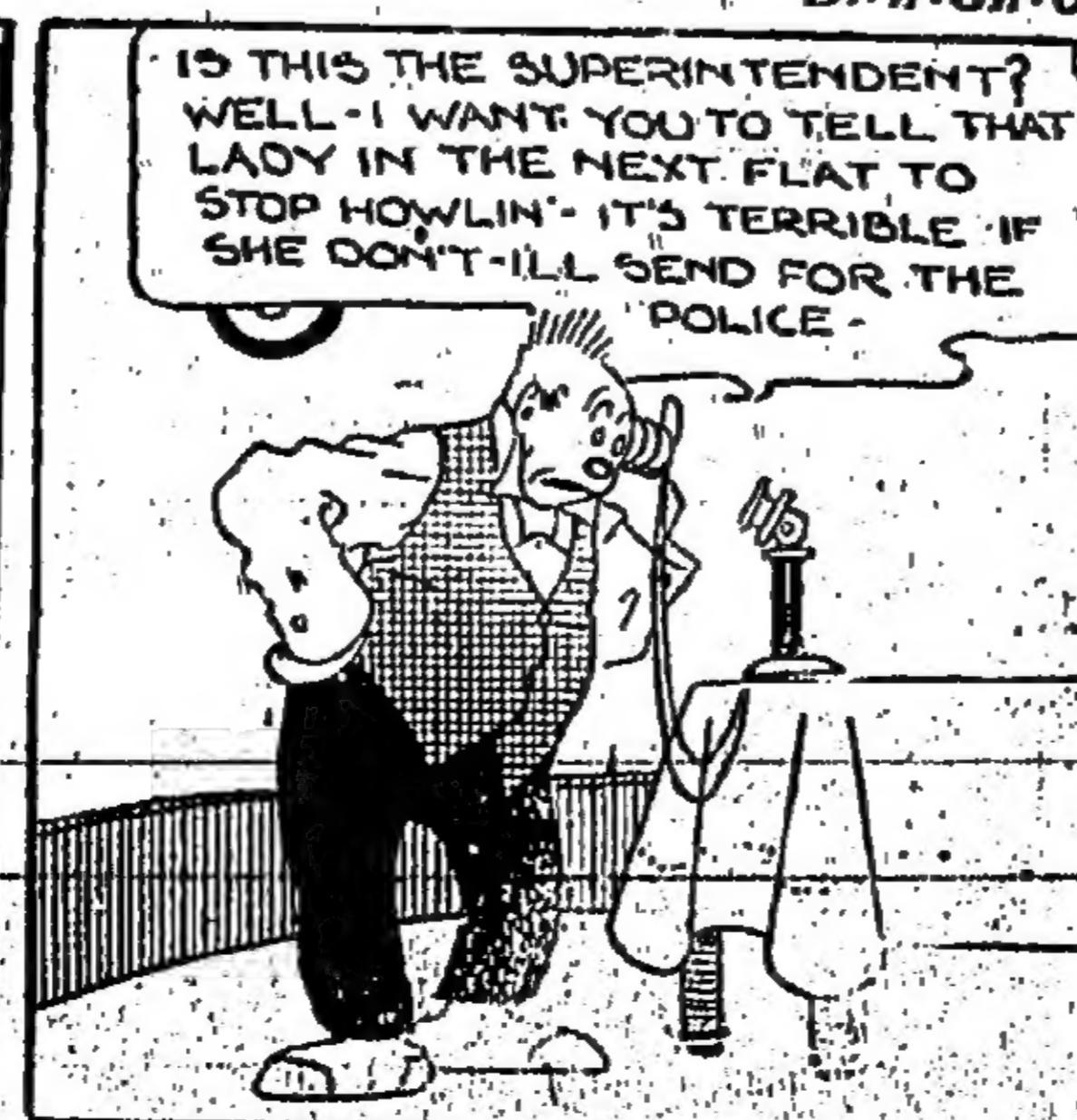
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